Mr. M. V. Cherian.— Is the Government prepared to give the business to people who guarantee a certain amount of sales?

Mr. V. K. Aravindaksha Menon.—Even as in the conditions at present there is absolutely no monopoly. Government can consider the requests from any merchant.

Mr. M. V. Cherian.—If the offers come from people who guarantee Rs. 10,000 a year will the Government take into consideration such offers?

Mr. V. K. Aravindaksha Menon.— If they want a monopoly then Government would not be in a position to accept.

Mr. M. V. Cherian.— Only for Mattancheri. If a man is going to offer will they accept it?

Mr. V. K. Aravindaksha Menon.— If a reasonable proposal is given Government will consider.

Mr. E. P. Bhaskara Menon.—Watching the progress of the present expert the do Government feel that there is any necessity for sending anybody to foreign parts for training in the potteries?

Mr. V. K. Aravindaksha Menon.— Government do not feel the necessity now.

Mr. E. P. Bhaskara Menon.—Are we to take it that the progress made by the present incumbent is more than satisfactory?

Mr. V. K. Aravindaksha Menon.— Within the lines in which he is working he is doing well.

Drawing teacher — Government Industrial School—Narakkal.

269. **Mr. George Parakkal.**—Will the Government be pleased to state if the necessity of a Drawing teacher was required in the Government Industrial School, Narakkal, so as to be helpful to the pupils in the Carpentry and Smithy classes?

Mr. I. N. Menon.—Government have realised the necessity of appointing a Drawing teacher in each of the Government Industrial Schools and they are taking necessary steps.

Literature Honours—Scheme of.

270. **Mr. E. Ikkanda Warriar.**—Will the Government be pleased to state:—

(1) why was the scheme of Literature Honours given up;

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(2) how far did the Government proceed with it;

(3) what expenditure did the Government incur in connection with it?

Mr. I. N. Menon.—(1) The Scheme is not given up. Government decided to postpone the question till next year.

(2) Affiliation for the course was applied for and a University Commission inspected the College and sent their report.

(3) Rs. 438—14—0.

Mr. E. P. Bhaskara Menon.—Will the Government be pleased to inform the House as to the nature of the report sent by the University?

Mr. I. N. Menon.—We asked for affiliation. The Commissioners came and inspected the college and approved of the opening of the course and sanctioned the opening of the Honours course.

Mr. E. P. Bhaskara Menon.—Why was it then postponed?

Mr. I. N. Menon.—The main difficulty was at this time Government were given to understand that there would be practically no additional expenditure and that the existing staff would almost be sufficient. Unfortunately the University came and fixed certain conditions to this affiliation. Further staff will have to be appointed and some additional expense would be incurred. Government thought that since they have decided to start the B. Sc. this might wait partly because the affiliation now granted will not lapse.

Mr. E. P. Bhaskara Menon.—Are the Government serious in starting the Honours Literature next year?

Mr. I. N. Menon.—They were serious last year. But there is now the question of availability of funds.

Mr. E. Ikkanda Warriar.—Are they going to do it?

Mr. I. N. Menon.—They cannot give a definite answer.

Mr. A. Narayana Menon.—Are there no M. A. courses in other colleges?

Mr. I. N. Menon.—Some have.

Mr. A. Narayana Menon.—Do not the number of students undergoing M. A. courses fall?

Mr. I. N. Menon.—I can't say definitely.

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Mr. A. Narayana Menon.—Was there any demand for affiliation in post-graduate course in Malayalam from the professor of vernacular education?

Mr. I. N. Menon.—These are only interdepartmental matters. A demand comes from the Government to the University. Some are accepted, others nullified and others are postponed. No request was made by the authorities to the University for affiliation in M. A.

Mr. E. P. Bhaskara Menon.—Are not the Government in a position to say to the University that there is no necessity for additional hands?

Mr. I. N. Menon.—That we have been making in other instances but our discretion was curtailed by the conditions of affiliation.

Mr. K. M. Ibrahim.—What will be the approximate financial commitment?

Mr. I. N. Menon.—To be accurate I want notice. There should be two additional members to the staff and assistants and the cost of additional library.

Mr. E. P. Bhaskara Menon.—If the University do not come to terms could not the Government think of affiliating the college with some other University?

Mr. I. N. Menon.—We can't do that.

Nambudiri Vidyalayam—realisation of the amounts due.

271. **Mr. P. Raman Menon.**—Will the Government be pleased to state:—

(a) whether the Government did not realise the full amount with interest and costs due from the Nambudiri Vidyalayam by executing the decree against Vidyalayam Committee;

(b) is there now a request to pay back the same amounts by the Sirkar; if so, by whom;

(c) has the proposal been sanctioned by the Government;

(d) has any amount been paid in pursuance of that to any body;

(e) if so, to whom was it paid and what amount;

(f) how much more the Government intend to pay back and when;

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